

NewsRound



Keeping parents and students informed

Term 2 Letter 2 Friday 11 November 2016

Cameras at the ready for our Photography House Competition 2016



With bake-off now over we are looking forward to our next whole school house event, the Photography House Competition. If you are a keen photographer or if you have captured a beautiful image/landscape during your last holiday why not enter your work. All students and staff are welcome to enter and win big points for your house – one entry per one category per person. The categories this year are: Natural World, Wildlife, 'Selfie', Multicultural London,

Architecture, Travel or a 'Wildcard'. To enter:

- Insert your photo into a powerpoint slide.
- Include your name, form and category you wish to enter.
- Email it to photos@ashcroftacademy.org.uk by Friday 25 November.
- 5 points for each entry received.
- 1st place in each category = 50 points
- Overall 1st, 2nd 3rd, 4th = 200, 150, 100 and 50 points.

House points will only be awarded for original photos with artistic merit (which will be decided by the judges) and must be verified as your own work. Mass entries of similar photos or images with little artistic merit will not be awarded points. Get snapping and good luck.

JPF "SPEAK OUT" Challenge!

Workshop

This week two trainers from the Jack Petchey Speak Out Foundation visited Ashcroft Academy to give a speaking and listening workshop for interested Year 10 students.

The morning workshop consisted of numerous activities to help improve their essential skills for public speaking. This included methods for improving voice, posture, tone, hand gestures, eye contact and much more!

In the afternoon, these 60 students stood before their peers and delivered speeches which they had constructed throughout the day. Eight were chosen, because of their excellent content, strict structure and brilliant delivery, to go through to the next stage:

Ally Stewart, 10T2
Sam Phillips, 10T4
Javaun Jackson, 10T7
Sofia Mohamud, 10T7
Lewis Fletcher, 10T2
Kysha Ward, 10T7
Mariam Zaadane, 10T5
Shazib Ahmad, 10T4

These students are now working on their outstanding speeches in preparation for delivering them to their peers and judges at a Year 10 assembly. Two students will then be chosen to represent the school in the Jack Petchey Speak Out Wandsworth Regional Final next year.

STEAM CLUB

This week Year 8 "STEAM" mics investigated the powers of static electricity and applied their knowledge to the various exploits of Doctor Who. From using a Van der Graaf generator to make their hair stand on end, to generating their own static shock chain of students and even static flying saucers! It was all GO in this week's Doctor Who session and a heap of Science was learned about how atoms may become ionised, along with the properties of static electricity.



Year 12 Changing Places Trip

Last Friday afternoon as the rain poured, 22 hardy students from the AS Geography course travelled to Brixton to complete some fieldwork to support their understanding of the Changing Places module. The module focuses on how places are modified by a variety of different factors including; their history, gentrification, media, investment and migration. The students were able to look for evidence of these influences

present in Brixton. They were also able to talk to the residents of the area about their perceptions of these developments and their reactions to a changing Brixton. After developing their practical understanding of 'changing places', the group then had the opportunity to attend a lecture at St Mary's University. The lecture given by Prof. Alastair Owens gave invaluable insights into the theoretical basis for the module and how these concepts manifest themselves in the places around us.



**ASHCROFT ACADEMY
CHRISTMAS SHOWCASE**

*A festive evening of
music and drama*

Wednesday 14 December 2016

Doors open at 6.00pm for mince pies and mulled wine

PROMPT 6.30pm START

*Tickets £1 - available from Reprographics
All monies raised from tickets and refreshments will be donated to 'Educate for Life'*

Christmas Showcase

The showcase will be taking place in the Auditorium on Wednesday 14 December at 6.30pm for parents and friends (who do not attend the Academy) of the performers and will be approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes in duration.

The students have been working hard to prepare for the showcase; the evening will feature a range of festive performances from students across all year groups.

Tickets are available from Reprographics from next week and cost £1 each. Showcase students should bring their money into school and buy their tickets as soon as possible. All monies raised from ticket sales will be donated to 'Educate for Life'; a wonderful charity that provides education, healthcare and community development initiatives to a marginalised community, in rural India.

We ask that guests arrive between 6pm and 6.25pm, as the showcase will begin at 6.30pm promptly; with no late arrivals permitted. Refreshments will be available.

Year 7 Lille trip

The day trip to Lille will take place on Friday 30 June. Students will take part in a number of language activities in the centre of Lille, as well as ordering lunch in a real French restaurant plus an opportunity to make baguettes and croissants in a traditional boulangerie.

The total cost of the trip is £81 which can be paid in full or by instalments.

A more detailed letter has been issued along with an acceptance/permission slip which must be handed in by Wednesday 14 November with a £31 deposit to Mrs Campbell in reception.

TERM DATES 2016-2017

Staff Dev Day	Tue 30 Aug
Term 1 begins	Wed 31 Aug - Wed 19 Oct (Y7) Thur 01 Sep - Wed 19 Oct (Y8-11)
Staff Dev Days	Thur 20 & Fri 21 Oct
Term break	Thur 20 Oct - Fri 28 Oct 2016
Term 2 begins	Mon 31 Oct - Fri 16 Dec
Term break	Mon 19 Dec – Tue 03 Jan 2017
Staff Dev Day	Tue 03 Jan
Term 3 begins	Wed 04 Jan– Fri 10 Feb
Term break	Mon 13 Feb – Fri 17 Feb 2017
Term 4 begins	Mon 20 Feb – Fri 26 May
Staff Dev Day	Fri 31 Mar
Easter break	Fri 31 Mar – Mon 17 Apr
Bank Holiday	Mon 01 May
Term break	Mon 29 May – Fri 02 Jun 2017
Term 5 begins	Mon 05 Jun – Fri 21 Jul

Year 7 Netball

Praise for the Year 7 netballers who competed in the Borough Netball tournament on Monday this week and reached the FINALS! Scores were as follows from Pool A:

- ATA vs Southfields, WON 4-0
- ATA vs Graveney B, WON 4-3
- ATA vs Bolingbroke, WON 3-2

We faced Graveney A team in the final but unfortunately we lost although our team put up an excellent defence. Well done to all. Certificates to follow.

Our intrepid team consisted of : Nafisa Isse 7T6, Victoria Hunter 7T4, Madihah Morshed 7T5, Ladan Guleed 7T7, Mischa Tseliki 7T5, Ellie Welch 7T2, Jessica King 7T1, Catarina Gomes Pereira 7T6, Emily Park 7T7 and Hiba Sheikh 7T1.



P. E. DEPARTMENT

TERM 2 CLUBS

	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
Mon	Fitness Session – Miss Despins Basketball	Cardio Fitness Suite/ Weights Fitness Suite – Mr Dooley Cricket –Mr Rowe Trampolining – Mr Keith	Football – Mr Keith/Mr Carroll Netball – Mrs Ward Basketball – Miss Despins Duke of Edinburgh – Mr Dooley
Tues	Fitness Session – Mr Keith Basketball	Year 7-9 Girls Basketball – Miss Despins Badminton – Mr Keith Trampolining – Mr Dooley Dodgeball- Mrs Ward	
Wed	Fitness Session – Mr Dooley Basketball	Year 8+ Basketball – Mr Keith Table Tennis – Mr Mensah/Mr Stenning Cardio Room/ Weights Fitness Suite – Miss Despins Girls Nike Training Club- Mrs Ward	All Years Girls Football – Ms Godfrey/Mr Moody
Thurs	Fitness Session – Mrs Ward Basketball – Mr Dooley	Cardio/Weights Fitness Suite – Mrs Ward Trampolining – Mr Dooley Dodgeball – Miss Despins	Fitness – Mrs Ward GCSE Catch-up – Mrs Ward Introduction to the art of JiuJitsu – the taster sessions – Mr Wandl
Fri	Fitness Session – Mrs Ward	Cardio + Weights – Mr Dooley Volleyball – Mr Keith Year 7 Multi-sports – Miss Despins	



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Multi-choice menu MEAL DEAL Choose a hot meal from Option 1 plus something from Options 2 or 5 Choose a soup from Option 2 plus something from Options 3 or 4 or 5 Choose a sandwich from Option 4 plus something from Options 2 or 5 Choose the Salad Bar option plus something from Options 2 or 5 DELI BAR Freshly made to order each day
1	Chicken Jalfrezi Vegetable Moussaka	Sausages and Mash Vegetable Quiche	Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread Vegetable Chilli	Roast Chicken and Roast Potatoes Vegetable Shepherd's Pie	Fish Cake with Potato Wedges Macaroni Cheese	
2	Carrot and Coriander Soup	Vegetable and Watercress Soup	Minestrone Soup	Lentil Soup	Vegetable Soup	
3	Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice)	Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice)	Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice)	Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice)	Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice)	
4	Any sandwich (max price £1.50)	Any sandwich (max price £1.50)	Any sandwich (max price £1.50)	Any sandwich (max price £1.50)	Any sandwich (max price £1.50)	
5	Oaty Apple Crumble and Custard Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Marble Sponge with Chocolate Sauce Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Jam & Coconut Sponge and Custard Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Pineapple Upside Down Sponge with Custard Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Eve's Pudding and Custard Fresh Fruit Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	

Meal Deal (Option 1 + 2 or 5) £2.15 students/£2.36 staff Main Meal only £1.83 students/£2 staff

Lunch rota for next week

1st sitting Year 9 — 1.05 2nd sitting Year 7 — 1.15 3rd sitting Year 8 — 1.25 4th sitting Year 10 — 1.35